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Office Action Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 06 July 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 07/06/2004 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Priority

1. Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d), which papers have been placed of record in the file.

Drawings

2. The drawings are objected to because of the following informalities: the illustration of Fig. 1, item 14 should change from "exteral" to "external". Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet"

pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Doetsch et al. (US PAT. 6,847,812 hereinafter, "Doetsch").

Regarding claim 1, Doetsch discloses a method for providing clock signals (item 10) to a mixed signal (items 20 and 23) telecommunication chip (items 1 and 11) having a communication signal in a communication signal band (col. 3 lines 27-55), said clock signals comprising a central clock frequency signal (system clock) and sub-frequency signals (sampling frequency) which are multiples or divisions (item 22) of said central clock frequency signal, wherein the central clock frequency signal is selected such that the central clock frequency signal and the sub-frequency signals are located outside the telecommunication signal band (Fig. 1 col. 3 line 27 through col. 6 line 41).

Regarding claims 2 and 8, Doetsch further discloses the telecommunication signal band is between 2,402 GHz and 2,480 GHz (col. 4 lines 31-41, the range is difference from system to system).

Regarding claims 3 and 9, Doetsch further discloses the central clock frequency is a multiple of 2 (col. 4 lines 31-38, "multiple of 2" read on "selecting suitable values").

Regarding claims 4 and 10, Doetsch further discloses the central clock frequency is in between 70 MHz and 90 MHz, preferably 64 MHz, 76 MHz or 80 MHz (col. 4 lines 12-20, the range is difference from system to system).

Regarding claims 5 and 11, Doetsch further discloses the central clock frequency is 64 MHz (col. 4 lines 12-20), the precision is 8 bit and the over-sampling factor is 32 (col. 4 lines 12-20).

Regarding claim 6, Doetsch further discloses the chip comprising functional circuit blocks, wherein the central-clock-frequency is supplied to the functional blocks by an on-chip oscillator (col. 4 lines 31-41).

Regarding claim 7, Doetsch further discloses mixed signal telecommunication chip comprising as functional blocks a RF front end unit (item 11), an analog to digital

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converter (item 6), a digital to analog converter (item 7), a modulator (item 5) /demodulator (item 3), a RF synthesizer (item 22) and an oscillator (item 8) for processing a communication signal in a communication signal band (col. 3 lines 25-55), wherein the functional blocks are fed by clock signals (item 10) comprising a central clock frequency signal (system clock) and sub-frequency (sampling frequency) signals which are multiples or divisions (item 22) of said central clock frequency signal (col. 3 lines 48-52), and wherein the central clock frequency signal and the sub-frequency signals are located outside of the telecommunication signal band (Fig. 1 col. 3 line 27 through col. 6 line 41).

Regarding claim 12, Doetsch further discloses the D/A converter (item 7) is directly connected to the RF front end (item 11) portion (Fig. 1 col. 3 lines 27-55).

Regarding claim 13, Doetsch further discloses an on-chip-oscillator supplying the central clock frequency to the functional blocks (Fig. 1 col. 3 lines 48-52).

Regarding claim 14, Doetsch further discloses the on-chip oscillator is connected to an external oscillator (Fig. 1 col. 2 lines 32-49).

Regarding claim 15, Doetsch further discloses the external oscillator is a crystal oscillator (Fig. 1 col. 6 lines 1-4).

Conclusion

5. Any response to this action should be mailed to:

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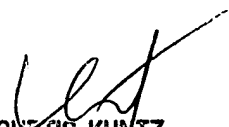
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